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1. A copy of the Power of Attorney To Prosecute Applications Before the USPTO;
2. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) with a copy of the Assignment attached. The Assignment document was submitted for recordation pursuant § 3.11;
3. Authorization to Treat a Reply as Incorporating an Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3); and
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